

MINUTES
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Monday, November 27th 2006 – 10 A.M. - CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

ROLL CALL: Sue Austin Chair, Gary Pietsch Vice Chair, Wendy Nieman, Don Helander, Student Liaison: David Dye, and P&R Director Kim Woodruff. **ABSENT:** Don Helander and Council Liaison: Sandra Lamson

MINUTES

The September 25th minutes were approved as read.

FRISBEE GOLF

Troy Krumenacker submitted a proposal for a Frisbee golf course at Lakeview Park. Currently Resolution No. 99-20, lists Frisbee golf as a prohibited activity within Sandpoint City Parks. Following the discussion that ensued Commission members unanimously moved to recommend to Council that Resolution No. 99-20 listed item #2, Frisbee golf, be removed from the list of prohibited activities. Pending Councils approval Commission members will entertain location options for a Frisbee golf course, and course logistics.

STATE OF ID. P&R GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

P&R Director Kim Woodruff presented to Commission members plans to apply for Waterways, Trails and Land & Water Grants through the State of Idaho Dept of Parks & Recreation. The first would facilitate improvements to the Windbag Marina, the second to complete an 8' wide bike path that will connect the Travers/ Centennial sports complex with the 7-acre park being constructed North of the Assembly of God Church, and third to assist with creating sports/playfields, playgrounds, and collection basins to sustain park wetlands. Commission members were unanimously supportive of the projects and encouraged applying any grant funds obtained to these projects.

NAMING 7-ACRE PARK UNDER DEVELOPMENT

Gary Pietsch and Director Woodruff will be meeting with representatives of the Kalispell tribe at a date to be determined, to discuss the City's expectations for the 7-acre park under construction North of the Assembly of God Church. Tribal representatives will then submit one name to the P&R Commission for recommendation to City Council.

LAKEVIEW PARK MUSEUM KIOSK

Gary Pietsch reported to the Commission that the City of Sandpoint Chamber of Commerce is being considered as an alternate location for the historic informational kiosk previously designated for the Bonner Co. Museum, located in Lakeview Park. Though the location for the kiosk may change the project will still be funded by a grant from I.T.D. and local matches.

POSSIBLE REPAIRS/ IMPROVEMENTS TO CITY BEACH PERIMETER LIGHTING

Student Liaison David Dye, reported to the commission that many of the lights currently at City Beach are broken and are in need of repair or replacement. During discussion ground lighting, possibly solar powered, were suggested as alternatives to pole lights. The Commission unanimously agreed that unobtrusive lighting would be best so as not to obscure views of the night sky, and to decrease glare for boaters during night hours. The commission suggested P&R ask Avista to make recommendations for other low impact lighting.

UPDATES FROM PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR

Barb Veraniam memorial bench is on hold until playground safety standards are met. New Gametime play structure is scheduled to be installed at Lakeview in the Spring. Commission members recommended adding benches or more picnic tables at the new playground site for parents and families.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Monday December 18th in the City Hall Conference Room at 10 a.m.
The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Kami Blood, Administrative Assistant Parks and Recreation Department